

June 6, 2019

Dana Ullman Muck Rock News 411A Highland Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2516 Sent via email to 59849-01651758@request.muckrock.com

RE: Freedom of Information Act Response

Tracking Number 866122

Dear Ms. Ullman,

The National Office of the U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division (WHD) is responding to your request made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, dated August 23, 2018. Specifically, you requested a list of individuals or corporations whose authorization to operate as a H-2A farm contractor has been revoked. As per your email on May 2, 2019, you have agreed to narrow your request to only process cases in Texas from 2008 to 2019.

In accordance with 29 CFR § 70.20(a), we can only include responsive documents in our possession as of the date our search began. The search began on May 1, 2019. After performing an electronic search of relevant files, we did not locate any documents responsive relating to your request. Consequently, we are providing a "no records" response to your request. However, it appears that the records you are seeking may be obtained from the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration (ETA). This information is able on ETA's website https://www.foreignlaborcert.doleta.gov/pdf/Debarment List Revisions.pdf.

You have not been assessed related fees as the processing costs incurred did not exceed the chargeable minimum.

If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please do not hesitate to contact Amy Hettes at *hettes.amy@dol.gov* or call 202-693-1004. If we cannot assist you in your concerns, you may also contact the Departmental FOIA Public Liaison, Thomas Hicks, at 202-693-5427 or email at *Hicks.Thomas@dol.gov*. Alternatively, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration regarding available mediation services they offer at: Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road College Park, MD 20740-6001. You can also reach that office by email at *ogis@nara.gov*, by phone at 202-741-5770, by fax at 202-741-5769, or by calling toll-free at 877-684-6448.

Finally, if you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Solicitor of Labor within 90 days from the date of this letter. The appeal must state in writing the grounds for the appeal, and it may include any supporting statements or arguments, but such statements are not required. In order to facilitate processing of the appeal, please include your mailing address and daytime telephone number, as well as a copy of the

initial request and copy of this letter. The envelope and letter of the appeal should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Any amendment to the appeal must be made in writing and received prior to a decision. The appeal should be addressed to the Solicitor of Labor, Division of Management and Administrative Legal Services, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N2420, Washington, DC 20210. Appeals may also be submitted by email to *foiaappeal@dol.gov*. Appeals submitted to any other email address will not be accepted.

Sincerely,

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